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A Lawman Speaks Out

A common topic among the citizenry today is crime, and this usually includes questions of this nature: What has happened to law enforcement? Why are we having all of this violent crime? Why can't law enforcement do more to prevent crime and why are not more perpetrators of crime detected? For part of the answer you have to more to do that in glance at the daily press. There you will find at the moment, statements of the Attorney General of the United States setting forth results of an investigation he has made of former tactics of the FBI in using so-called "dirty tricks" techniques in combatting the operations of subversive and extremist groups in America. Which, in effect, consisted of a system of fomenting dissension and suspicion in the ranks of the organizations by planting "seeds of false information" in the minds of some of their members of seeking truthful data concerning infiltrations on the part of some of the group.

The disturbing part of this alleged investigation is the number of politicians, along with a lot of their lib, the effete minded liberals, who condemned this reported practice of the FBI. With pseudo-morality they piously damned the practice as immoral and illegal. On the surface one might surmise that this was just another demonstration by the haters who want to destroy the FBI and those jackals who want to discredit anything J. Edgar Hoover had a part in. But to the analytical mind, it is further evidence of the work of those who would destroy this Nation, using as an early step, the destruction of its law enforcement machinery.

The so-called liberals who cry out in alarm at such tactics, using such terminology as "enforcement", "threat to individual freedom", etc. either underestimate the threat of these subversives existing or else there is an ulterior motive behind their actions. Unfortunately, there are too many in the news media who adopt this philosophy and are quick to use the term "Police State". Quite often, they compare American police methods with the methods of Hitler and the KGB of Russia. This is patently ridiculous. It is paradoxical that these terms of similar nature were unheard of until after World War II. America had been in existence for 169 years at that time and during that period there were no fears of a "Police State". In fact up to that time law enforcement officers had a lot more authority than they do now (a lot more efficiency, too), yet no one heard cries of "oppression" or "deprivation of rights", etc.

It follows, the night following day, that the present crime conditions exist in large measure because of the restraints placed upon law enforcement today. When comparing American law enforcement tactics with those of the totalitarian states in other parts of the world, these critics apparently give little thought to the fact that those "Police States" were dictatorships and their law enforcement was controlled by the head of state, the dictator. While in America, a Republic, law enforcement has always been under the scrutiny of the Prosecutor, the Judges, the Grand and Petit Juries, a free press and above all a free citizenry who always have had the right to petition for redresses.

The chances of a "Police State" occurring under such circumstances are as remote as anything can be. Yet, under this guise, we have the picture of a law enforcement body being condemned for using "unconstitutional" tactics while trying to cope with groups whose intent is to destroy this Country and while dealing with other organizations whose sole aim is to create discord and violence. Despite all of the logic that is against these things, we still have our legislatures grinding out day by day more laws that are restrictive to law enforcement. And by the same stroke creating more consequence for the subversive and criminal elements. To friend this is not only stupid but insane; yes, and even genocidal.

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The Pastor Speaks

Looking!

Here is the truth there is no expression that I have heard used by your wife or mother: Where she is preparing for beans for dinning the first "looks" them. This is the act of judging the good and removing the bad before taking them. She "looks" at the outside and judges from what she sees on the outside. But as God "looks" at, He sees the outside but also all that is beneath, as he said "human". Look not at its appearance or at its stature, for I have rejected him, for the Lord sees not as man sees, for man looks at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart." (1 Samuel 16:7). Today if the Lord "looks" you - going beyond the outward appearance "looking" the heart, would the Lord find a usuable man or woman?

But this is the man to whom I will look and have regard, he who is humble and is of a broken and wounded spirit and who trembles at My word and reverens My commands." (Isaiah 66:2)

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The Sunday School Lesson

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Comments on the International Sunday School lesson for Sunday, January 19, 1975

Topic: The Lord of Life.
Scripture: John 6:35-51; 11:25.

The life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. Galatians 2:20.

The Scriptures take a much higher view of life than science. Both are concerned with the material and physical aspects of life, but the Scriptural view is not limited to these. Consequently the Scriptures teach that human life is dependent also, and more basically so on God. The Scriptures portray life as originated by God and as the gift of God to His creatures, a far more exalted concept of life. Man's existence is sustained by breathing air, taking material food and drink, and performing the metabolic processes.

Jesus on occasion interpreted His mission in terms of food and drink but gave to them a spiritual significance. To the people who found Him after He had fed the 5,000, Jesus said, "Do not labor for the food which perishes, but for the food which endures to eternal life," and declared Himself to be "the bread of life."

Life is the individual's most precious possession. The question, "What does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul?" presents vividly the worth of life. Many people will die everything possible to preserve life. Much of the time life is taken for granted, to be most appreciated when it is threatened.

Physical life is not permanent. It invariably comes to an end in the experience we call death. The Scriptures present death as the consequence of man's sin, disobedience to God. Incorrect views of the human attitude. He thinks he was not made to die. The revelation of God's purpose in the Scriptures indicates that God did not make man to die, but rather to live. Sin has chosen the way of death by disobeying God, he frustrates the divine intent for himself.

But God determined a better future for man, created in His image, that death. To fulfill His purpose that man should enjoy eternal life, God provided a way for it and sent His Son into the world to make eternal life possible for mortals. In a real sense then, Jesus Christ came to bring life.

On three occasions of record, Jesus restored a person to life: the daughter of Jairus, the ruler of the synagogue; the son of the widow of Nain; and Lazarus of Bethany. These miracles were symbolic of and testified to Jesus' invisible of life. He was His miracles of healing. They demonstrate His power to give life, even when it has been lost, and are the evidence of His power to give eternal life.

In the presentation of this fourth aspect of the nature and mission of Jesus Christ in this series of International Sunday School lessons, we come to the fundamental purpose of the Incarnation, to the Sabbath was given to enrich and refresh the life of man, so the Incarnation of God's Son took place to give eternal life, the redeeming of a mortal can experience, to people.

The giver of life is the Lord of life. So the Man of Compassion, the Master Teacher, the Suffering Savior played each of these roles to bring life and immortality to people, which He as Lord of life alone can give. Each of these roles complements the other, and in playing each part, Jesus testified to the purpose of His mission.

The ultimate earnest of the power of Jesus Christ to give eternal life and the ultimate demonstration of His invincible of life came in His own resurrection from the dead. In His resurrection, Christ provided the foundation for the greatest doctrine in the anthropology, ends the mortal life, [illegible] for resurrection, [illegible] cause He is Lord of life, Scriptural testimony [illegible] of life are [illegible] the risen Christ, [illegible] resurrection and [illegible] people.

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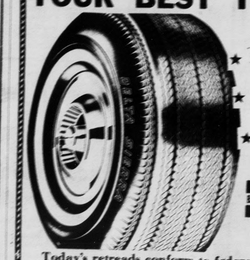

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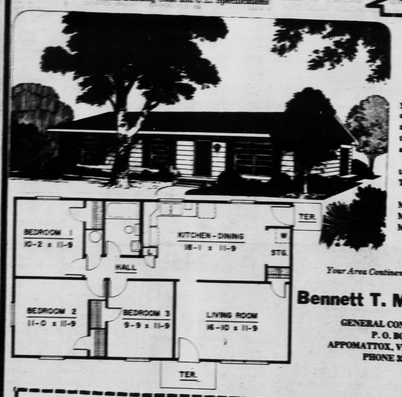

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[illegible] Caldwell (center) of the Mighty Four 4-H Club [illegible] typical expression after sampling Italian foods [illegible] by Steve Cobb and Ronnie Robinson. Club members [illegible] Steve's spaghetti and Ronnie's lasanga at the January [illegible] which featured foods from Italy. Pam Guill and Sharon [illegible] provided the club with a report on the customs of [illegible]

[illegible] pictured above are Tammy Book, Timmy Marshall, [illegible] Harris, Robin Spiggle, Ernie Chenault, Tina Doss, Troy [illegible], Sharon White, Mitzi Chandler, Debbie Baldwin, [illegible] Carter, Rhonda Nash, Craig Puryear, and Pam Ford, [illegible] Richardson.

[illegible] E. Herndon, Jr.

[illegible]nlists In [illegible]S. Navy

[illegible] Herndon, Jr. of [illegible] enlisted in the [illegible] States Navy December [illegible] and is receiving [illegible] Great Lakes, Ill.

[illegible] graduate of Appomattox High School, he is [illegible] to the former Nancy [illegible] of Stonewall, [illegible] the son of Mr. [illegible] Sr. of Stonewall and [illegible] Herndon.

Clover Hill

[illegible] Lois A. Hix an Sons of [illegible] New York, Mrs. Celia [illegible] and Mrs. Charlie [illegible] and children, Farm[illegible] Mrs. Hazel Walker, [illegible] Ruth and Joanne Hum[illegible] Washington, D.C., Mr. [illegible] Linwood Walker, Mr. [illegible] Walker of Pamplin, [illegible] Loretta Berkley, of [illegible] Miss Virginia A. [illegible] Lawrenceville, Mrs. [illegible] White, also of Farm[illegible] visiting in the home [illegible] and Mrs. Floyd Berkley and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Edwards from Richmond, Va., visited Mrs. Hazel Walker.

We are praying for the sick.

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DISCUSSION CLASSES PLANNED FOR PAMPLIN FARMERS

A series of ten discussion classes has been planned for farmers in the Pamplin area. These classes are jointly sponsored by the Appomattox County High School Agricultural Department and the Pamplin Ruritan Club. Thursday night, January 23, has been set for the first meeting; and the classes will continue on February 6 and each Thursday night thereafter through April 3.

Classes will start at 7:30 on the night of each class and will last approximately 90 minutes. There will be no enrollment fee and the class is open to all interested persons in the Pamplin area.

The topics which will be discussed at these meetings were selected by a special committee which met with A. H. Carter, Agricultural Education Instructor at Appomattox County High School. Those on the committee were B. C. Massey, E. N. Harvey, Alfred Jamerson, John Hix, and Donald Phillips. Topics which will be discussed at these meetings include: Estate Planning, Corn Production, Pasture Management, the World Food Situation, Control of Wildlife Pests, What's Ahead for the Economy, Pesticide Safety, and New Crop Varieties.

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